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BRITAIN'S NEW BUDGET.

Surplus Revenue For Reduction of Debt.

TAXPAYERS OBTAIN SOME RELIEF.

(Reuter's Service.)

London, April 16.
The Rt. Hon. S. Baldwin in his budget speech mentioned there was a deficit in respect of the estimate on tea, the reduction of duty not having increased the consumption to the extent anticipated.

The Budget surplus is thirty-six millions. The duty on tea and sugar is unchanged, but there are reductions in the Income Tax of sixpence, and beer a penny a pint, and the Corporation Tax is reduced by one half. The question of a tax on betting has been referred to a committee.

The general expectation of reductions in taxation caused unusual interest in Mr. Baldwin's budget, twenty members of the House of Commons waiting to secure seats at seven in the morning. The House was packed when Mr. Baldwin rose, and dwelt on the improvement of trade and diminution of unemployment last year. Government securities had appreciated, savings bank deposits had increased, and a surplus of 101 millions had been employed in a reduction of debt. The surplus was really due to a reduction of expenditure by 247 millions in two years. He hoped to effect further economies in the current year. If any department presented a supplementary estimate, it must be met by savings in other directions. It was important to redeem their debt from the revenue.

He estimated the expenditure at £816,586,000, of which £380,470,000 were debt charges. The revenue from customs and excise would be six millions less than last year. He did not anticipate another good year from death duties or Income Tax. The total revenue on the basis of existing taxation would be £852,650,000, leaving a surplus of thirty-six millions.

The increase of revenue from the sale of surplus material is largely responsible for the surplus.

Provision will be made to deal with evasion of Income Tax. A tax on betting greatly attracted him, (Cheers), but he had no time to investigate it fully, therefore he intended to refer the matter to a select committee. He was prepared to take risks in the matter of a reduction of taxation, including a reduction in the charges for parcel post and heavier letters, also a reduction on foreign letters to two pence halfpenny, and a reduction of the rental of telephones and the rate at public call offices. This would involve a loss of £1,900,000. In view of the reduction last year, there would be no further relief in respect of tea, and there would be no change on sugar (Labour protests) as owing to the special circumstances the consumer would not benefit by a reduction of the duty. He hoped, however, that a reduction would be possible at an early date. The beer duty would be reduced a penny a pint, part of the reduction being borne by the brewers. The cost of this reduction was estimated at thirteen millions. This year there would be a reduction in the duty on sweetened table waters, and the cider duty would be abolished as it was not important to the revenue and abolition would be of some importance to agriculture. The Income Tax would be reduced six pence, costing twenty-six millions in the full year and nineteen millions this year. The Corporation Tax would be halved. Altogether the reductions would cost thirty-four millions this year and forty-seven millions in a full year. He had gone to his utmost limit to relieve the taxpayer without impairing the credit of the nation.

The Chancellor of the Exchequer said that in the four years ended March 31, last, the external debt had been reduced by two hundred and nine millions net. He explained that our Canadian debt could be regarded as settled. The internal debt had been reduced by £194 millions since last year and was now eight hundred and ten millions.

Mr. Ramsay MacDonald congratulated Mr. Baldwin on his stand against postponing debt reduction.

The resolutions were agreed to.

ANOTHER WAR LIKELY.

Lithuania Desires to Fight Poland.

Warsaw, April 16.

There is further trouble between Poland and Lithuania owing to the Lithuanian Premier, Galvanskas, notifying the Council of the League of Nations that Lithuania intends to contest the decision of the Council with regard to the Polish-Lithuanian neutral zone before the Hague Arbitration Court, and reserving the right to declare war on Poland from the beginning of May. The Polish Press is indignant, and accuses Lithuania of desiring at any cost to provoke war. The newspapers allege German instigation, and the existence between Berlin and Koenigsberg of a secret arms depot. They say Poland cannot now be asked to sign the statute being drawn up in Paris, giving Lithuania sovereignty over Memel.

BRITISH TRADE FOOTING IN DUTCH INDIES.

London, April 16.

A scheme promoted by the Federation of British Industries for co-operative representation of British manufacturers in the Dutch Indies promises success. Mr. R. Neil Williams, the representative who will take charge of interests of the firms concerned, is leaving on April 27. It was originally proposed that the scheme should include thirty manufacturers, but in view of the size and importance of the firms who have joined, and the desire to make the representation of each firm as efficient as possible, it has now been decided to reduce the membership to twenty.

CROWN COLONIES' REPRESENTATION.

London, April 16.

In the House of Commons, Capt. Berkeley suggested that in view of the economic importance of the Crown Colonies, the leaders of the elected members of the Legislative Councils and or the most recently retired ex-Governors of each of the principal Colonies should be invited to attend the Imperial Economic Conference in an advisory capacity. Mr. Bridgeman replied that he was not in a position at present to add to his previous replies.

THE COTTON INDUSTRY BILL.

London, April 16.

The second reading was manoeuvred through the House of Commons of the Cotton Industry Bill, providing for a compulsory contribution to the Empire Cotton-Growing Association, of which the passage was endangered owing to the House not sitting on Friday, in consequence of Thursday's long sitting.

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FIGHTING IN CANTON

Kwangsi Troops Attack

A Two-Hours' Battle.

Yunnanese Offer Stubborn Resistance.

RAILWAY SERVICES SUSPENDED.

Serious trouble has again broken out in Canton. The Kwangsi troops, under the command of General Shum Hung-ying, have come into conflict with the Yunnan forces under General Yeung Hui-man, and fighting of considerable intensity has resulted. The Kwangsi troops are apparently attempting to wrest control of the city from the Sun Yat-sen regime, which for the moment has the support of the Yunnanese.

News to hand this morning indicated that Tungshan had fallen into the hands of the Kwangsi men, who are also reported to have captured the terminal station of the Canton-Kowloon Railway at Taishatan. Whether this latter report is correct we are unable to say, but it appears to be somewhat confirmed by a telegram received this morning by the British railway authorities to the effect that "the military" have seized all the rolling stock at the station. The result is that the train service between Canton and Hongkong is again suspended.

(Our Own Correspondent.)

Canton, April 16.

The last few days there has been a feeling of apprehension in the city, and the feeling was justified yesterday, when fighting started in several places.

Heavy firing was heard in the early hours of this morning from the direction of Wongsha Station, and it was later learnt that it was due to another attempt to disarm the troops of General Wong Chih-wun, who were in occupation. The attackers tried very hard to get over the bridge leading to the station, but a machine gun stationed in a position commanding the bridge prevented the attempt from being a success. The attackers' casualties were heavy.

The Attack on the City.

About the same time as the above, there was firing in the direction of the Goddess of Mercy Hill and the White Cloud Mountains. Investigations showed that the Kwangsi troops of General Shum Hung-ying stationed on the White Cloud Mountains, to the number of five battalions, attempted an attack on the city in the early hours of the morning, their objective being the Goddess of Mercy Hill and the eastern part of the city. They got quite close, but were opposed by eight or nine battalions of Yunnanese, and a fierce battle ensued, in which the casualties were heavy.

About a hundred Yunnanese were treated in the Kung I Hospital for wounds, and no doubt there were others treated elsewhere. The number of killed is not yet known.

The Yunnanese succeeded in driving back their opponents, and, at the time of writing, are moving out towards Sha Ho in large numbers. The attack on the Goddess of Mercy Hill was unsuccessful. The Yunnanese troops appear to be well supplied with arms and ammunition, and they have also a large quantity of pack animals for transport work.

More Trouble Feared.

The cause of the above happenings is probably General Shum Hung-ying's acceptance of his appointment from Peking. He was expected to take up the job yesterday or to-day, it being the first of the Chinese Moon, and although there has been no definite announcement of his having done so, recent events point to his having led his opponents to think that he would do so. Should he decide definitely to leave Dr. Sun Yat-sen, it is to be feared that there will be more fighting in the very near future.

As a result of the trouble, the memorial service for their dead comrades, which was being given in the Public Garden by the Yunnanese troops to-day, has been postponed.

Why the Attack was Launched.

From another source it is reported that General Shum Hung-ying declared his acceptance of the Peking appointment on the 15th instant, following which a party of his force joined hands with some Yunnanese troops and took possession of the Goddess of Mercy Hill, whilst those stationed at White Cloud Mountain proceeded to attack the Yunnan troops at Shou Kau Ling. Owing to the continuous arrival of Kwangsi men, the latter were compelled to retreat towards the East River.

A further report says that General Shum's force at White Cloud Mountain was defeated and compelled to retreat north-westward. It is difficult to get definite information of the actual position.

As to the reason why General Shum launched his attack, it is stated that he did so because he had heard that Wu Pei-fu's forces almost completely control Szechuen, that Hsu Sung-chi intended marching from Swatow to Canton and that Li Fook-lum had planned to attack him from the rear. As a result, General Shum decided to take up the Peking appointment and begin the task of unifying Kwangtung.

Dr. Sun's Precautions.

Dr. Sun's Yat-sen had apparently some idea that trouble was brewing, for on the 15th instant he issued urgent orders to the forces of General Lau Teun-wan, a Yunnan commander, and to the Navy to return to Canton immediately for his protection. As a result, about three battalions of Yunnanese troops arrived next day, whilst further detachments arrived from Fatsan.

Traffic on the Canton-Hankow Railway has been suspended, whilst the trains on the Canton-Samshui line are only conveying troops.

Trains Held Up.

The express which left Canton for Kowloon at 3.30 p.m. yesterday was held up by Chinese troops at Sheklung and detained for a little over two hours. Even though only six coaches were allowed to proceed to Kowloon, the remainder being kept back by the soldiers. The express from Kowloon to Canton, also was held up at Sheklung by troops, only four coaches being allowed to go on to Canton. The slow through train which left Kowloon at 9.15 yesterday morning and which was due in Canton at 5.04 yesterday afternoon was held up at Sheklung upon her arrival at that station.

and it is not known whether she was allowed to proceed to her destination or whether she is still there.

Owing to the Chinese soldiers commandeering stock and engines the through expresses to-day are not running, though the local service on the British section is maintained as usual.

There is a rumour that three Chinese were taken out of one of the expresses, and shot by the troops, but the head office of the Kowloon Canton Railway cannot confirm this and, in fact, does not think it probable, as they have had no word of it.

Another Account.

Another Canton correspondent, writing us under date of yesterday, says:—

A battle has been fought this morning in the eastern suburbs of Canton. The opposing forces were the Kwangsi Army of General Shum Hung-ying and the Yunnan Army of General Yeung Hui-man. Since the settlement between the Kwangsi and Yunnan leaders, which followed the capitulation of Ngai Bong-ping, the former have been encamped on the White Cloud Mountain, and the latter have been in quarters along the Sha Ho Road, with Headquarters at the old Agricultural College, between Tungshan and the Sha Ho Road.

The Yunnan force claim to be the guardians of Canton, who preserve the people from the ravages of the Kwangsi hordes, and it is to be said to their credit that they behave very well. The less said about the Kwangsi men, the better.

Yesterday, there were signs that the armies were ready to join issue. The usual movement of troops, which precedes a conflict, took place, and at daylight this morning the Kwangsi troops at White Cloud opened fire on the Yunnan camp and their outposts. After two hours' fighting the Yunnan leaders decided to retire and thousands of men retreated in good order, in spite of being under fire, from the advanced groups of Kwangsi troops who had even pushed forward to the hills north-west of the Trinity College on the Sha Ho Road. Several of the College windows and doors were pierced by the Kwangsi bullets.

At 8 a.m., the Yunnanese were marching along the main road to Tungshan. Large droves of Yunnan pack ponies laden with transport, and wounded men were driven forward by the troops. Some wounded were in rickshas drawn by soldiers, and some dead and dying were carried on litters by their comrades. But they were not defeated, nor did they look like it.

At 10.30 a.m., the firing had ceased save for an occasional shot from a field gun fired from White Cloud in a south-westerly direction. Evidently the Kwangsi troops were unable to follow up their attack, for the Yunnanese began to return along the Sha Ho Road and at 11 a.m. they had regained their ground, large numbers occupying the hills between the Kung Kung I Hospital and Holy Trinity College.

Citizens' Army.

A circular notification to-day reaches us to the effect that a new civilian army has been organised by Mak Wui-fung for the protection of Kwangtung. It has been formed by enlisting villagers and citizens of the province, who will band themselves together for mutual protection during the present troubles. The name given it is the Kwangtung Self-Control Army.

General Wu Pei-fu Blamed.

We are in receipt of the following telegram from Mr. Eugene Chen:—

Canton, April 16.
The Kwangsi forces launched surprise attacks early this morning against the Yunnanese forces stationed at Kun Yin Shan and the Experimental station. The attacks were completely repulsed by the Yunnanese, who are now counter-attacking and surrounding the White Cloud mountain where the Kwangsi forces have retreated. Dr. Sun Yat-sen witnessed the operations along the foot of the White Cloud mountain accompanied by the Yunnanese Commander-in-

MISSIONS TO SEAMEN.

Sir Paul Chater's Generosity.

ENDOWMENT OF \$50,000.

We are informed that Sir Paul Chater's well-known generosity has again been exemplified by the offer of an endowment of \$50,000 to the Missions to Seamen in Hongkong, which, needless to say, the Committee have most gratefully accepted. This gift will solve a problem which has for some little time been puzzling the Missions to Seamen authorities locally—the ways and means of raising a salary for an Assistant-Chaplain, whose efforts will probably be centred round the newly re-opened Kowloon Seamen's Institute.

The Missions to Seamen already owe a great debt of gratitude to one founder of the firm of Messrs. Chater and Mody, for the late Sir H. N. Mody gave a similar amount towards the building fund of the present Seamen's Institute on the Praya East, when at a public meeting an appeal was made for donations for the purpose. As that gift then enabled the Missions to Seamen to make great progress in the way of extension, this latest gift from the other founder will open the road to a still more vigorous advance in the field of opportunity offered by the ever-changing seafaring life of the port.

CANTON AMATEURS.

Production of "Clothes and the Woman."

(Our Own Correspondent.)

Canton, April 16.

On Saturday night, in the Canton Club Theatre, the Canton Amateur Theatrical Society gave a very successful performance of the play "Clothes and the Woman."

The play was produced by Mr. Peacock, and the cast included Miss Lindsey, who played the part of Robina with great success; Mrs. Arnold Jones, who was seen to advantage as Mrs. Desmond; Mrs. Crose, who was very good in the two parts of Mrs. Pershore, the landlady, and Mrs. Henslowe; Mr. Davenport Browne, who made a success of the part of Dr. Lomax; Mr. C. E. Mott, who was excellent as Claude; Mr. Farmer as Bradley; and Capt. Wahl as Col. Brereton.

The scenery, which was in charge of Col. Crose, was very good.

TROUBLE AT TAIKOO.

Moulders' One-Day Strike.

The Chinese moulders employed at Taikoo Dock suddenly suspended work yesterday morning. These men are engaged through a contractor, but controlled by the firm. The contract on which they are at present engaged finishes shortly and the moulders in future want to be employed direct and the contractors eliminated.

The Guild has been in communication with the manager, the assistance of the Secretary for Chinese Affairs was obtained, and on Saturday morning officials of the Guild were requested by the manager of the Company to persuade the men to hold the matter in abeyance while the Company considered their grievance. Apparently the moulders could not be persuaded, for they unexpectedly came out yesterday morning.

It appears that the Company are willing to see what they can do to comply with the moulders' wishes, and this morning the men re-commenced work.

Chief who was confident of entirely crushing the Kwangsi troops very soon.

Canton remains calm although the public are indignant at the action taken by the Kwangsi forces and bitterly denounce General Wu Pei-fu who has inspired this wanton attack.

FOOTBALL COMPETITION.

The Final Prize-Winners.

Last week's Football Competition concluded the series for the present season. Readers were required to give the goal-scores in the two matches played on Saturday, and, attracted by the prize of \$100 offered, there was a very large entry. No fewer than sixteen competitors succeeded in sending in correct scores, these being:—

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C. Victor, 12, Morrison Gap Road.
E. Alves, 6, Carnarvon Buildings, Mody Road, Kowloon.
Luiz Remedios, Hongkong & Shanghai Bank.
A. C. da Silva, 7, Mosque Junction.
M. Ramzan, Harbour View, High Street.
H. D. Zimmermann, c/o The On Tai, Woosung Street, Yau-mai.
Lai Yuet-cheung, 50, Peel Street.
Lu Chung, 7, Tai Yuen Street, Wanchai.
K. W. Tam, 46, Cochrane Street.
Peter Sung, 4, Man Chung Terrace, Happy Valley.
S. S. Cheung, The Shing Company.
Y. Tam, Ning, 40, Causeway Bay Road, North Point.

In accordance with rules, these competitors share the prize, and if they will call at this office we shall be pleased to hand them \$6.25 each.

JAPAN'S REGENT.

Well Received in Formosa.

Taihooku, April 16.—The battle cruiser Kongo, with the Regent aboard, arrived at Keelung at ten o'clock this morning and reached here at 2.30 p.m. Everywhere there were evidences of popular enthusiasm. A reception was held at the residence of the Governor this evening. An amnesty has been granted to political prisoners.—Reuter.

News in Today's New Advertisements.

The May Mukle recital takes place at the City Hall at 5.30 p.m. to-day.—Page 4.

Members of the Overseas League should read the notice on page 4.

Consignees are notified of the arrival of the s.s. "President Jackson"—Page 4.

Arts & Crafts, Ltd., the decorative specialists of Shanghai, invite enquiries.—Page 4.

Anderson's have received new Columbia records.—Page 4.

"Too much Business" is the current attraction at the Coronet Theatre.—Pages 7 and 12.

A notice of interest to members of "Easma" is published on page 4.

LISTEN.

Advertising in the elevator to prosperity.

Information concerning forthcoming auction sales is given on page 4.

The s.s. "Andre Lebon" has arrived here with cargo.—Page 4.

The St. Stephen's Summer Term will commence on the 24th inst.—Page 4.

Under the heading of "The Trunk from Homeside" a notice of interest to ladies appears on page 4.

At the World Theatre, "Everything for Sale" is being screened.—Page 12.

New Manila Hats are on sale at the Swatow Lace Co. 17a Queen's Rd.—Page 3.

"Crooked Straight" is being screened at the Star Theatre.—Page 12.

To-Day's Exchange.

The closing rate of the dollar on demand to-day was 2s. 3 1/2d. Lighting Up-Time—Lighting Up-Time to-day 6.44 p.m.

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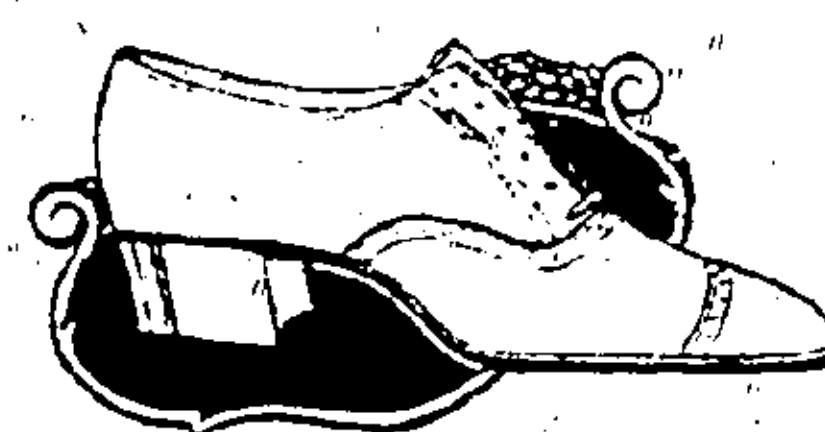
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HONGKONG WAR
MEMORIAL.One Million Dollar
Nursing Home.

In addition to the Cenotaph now being erected on the "finest site," arrangements have been completed for the building of a Nursing Home, to cost, with the furnishing, one million dollars, as a memorial to the men who fell in the Great War. The scheme was outlined in detail by the Hon. Sir Paul Chater (the Chairman of the Hongkong War Memorial Committee) at a meeting of subscribers held in the Board Room of Messrs. Jardine, Matheson and Co. last evening. There were also present the Hon. Mr. A. G. Stephen, Hon. Mr. P. H. H. Ho, Mr. D. G. M. Bernard, Rev. J. Kirk Macdonald, Mr. A. O. Lang, Mr. G. T. Edkins, Dr. G. M. Harston, Lieut.-Colonel L. G. Bird, Mr. N. L. Watson and Mr. E. J. Chapman (Secretary).

Scheme for Combined Club. Sir Paul Chater said: Gentlemen—At a Subscribers meeting held on 2nd December, 1920, it was thought that it would be best to merge the War Memorial Scheme in a proposed scheme for the erection of a combined Club for Navy, Army and Civilian; this was later found to be impracticable; but it was decided to erect on the "finest site" a replica of the Cenotaph in Whitehall designed by Mr. Lutyens.

Permission was obtained from Mr. Lutyens to use his design but there was considerable delay in obtaining the plans; however, the work is now well under way and we hope to unveil the Cenotaph on Empire Day, 24th May. It will cost about \$30,000.00.

At a meeting of the Committee held on 22nd August, 1921, it was stated that the Naval and Military Authorities were unable to come to any satisfactory agreement as to the future control and management of the proposed Club, and the scheme was therefore dropped.

I then suggested that the Memorial take the form of an up-to-date Nursing Home on the higher levels; it was felt that such a Home would be a great boon to the Colony; it would be of service to the community in assisting to minimise the death rate and in the restoring to health of those falling sick.

It would be managed by a Board of Governors composed of lay members of the community with one or two Government officials serving on it; the staff to consist of resident doctor and resident trained nurses and private practitioners to be allowed to attend patients. I felt certain that I could raise \$250,000.00 and as the Government had undertaken to give us a like sum (making \$500,000.00) we could with this make a very fine Nursing Home and have sufficient money left to carry on.

On 23rd September, 1922, I received a letter from the Government stating that as the scheme for the proposed Club had fallen through they thought that the War Memorial should be confined to the erection of the Cenotaph already decided on, and asking for recommendations as to what should be done with the balance of subscriptions remaining.

The Government's Contribution. At a Committee meeting held on 3rd October, 1921, this decision of the Government was considered, but your Committee were of the unanimous opinion that the Nursing Home Scheme should be proceeded with. A Sub-Committee, consisting of the Hon. Mr. A. G. Stephen, the Hon. Mr. H. E. Pollock, the Hon. Mr. Lau Chupak and myself were appointed to interview H. E. the Governor to ask that they renew their former

offer in providing \$250,000.00, being a like amount to that which I had undertaken to raise.

The result was that the Government granted us a site and \$200,000.00 on condition that the community subscribe an equal amount.

In April, 1922, the stage had been reached when it was necessary that the Nursing Home should be provided with a Constitution or Articles of Association in accordance with the law governing such institution; this was done and approved by your Committee.

It was then found that the \$400,000.00, consisting of \$200,000.00 from the Government and \$200,000.00 to be raised by the community, would not be enough to provide an institution on a scale to meet the growing needs of the Colony.

It was necessary to raise more money and I then outlined a proposal made by myself and the Hon. Mr. Stephen, we being the Trustees of the Granville Sharp Estate, for the utilization of half the surplus income of that Estate as from 1st January, 1922. It was estimated that the money thus provided would be sufficient to increase the building fund by \$150,000.00 and to provide a subsequent annual endowment of \$70,000.00. I may say that this action was taken at the instance of the late Mr. E. H. Sharp, then my co-trustee of the Sharp estate, who expressed a desire to extend a generous measure of assistance to the Nursing Home scheme, but was unfortunately prevented by illness from drawing up proposals in detail.

Application to Supreme Court.

The next step was an application to the Court based on affidavits sworn by Mr. Bernard on behalf of the Committee and by the Hon. Mr. Stephen and myself on behalf of the Sharp Estate.

On 12th August, 1922, the Chief Justice gave judgment approving the scheme, subject to further details being submitted as to the working of the proposed Nursing Home.

On 7th March, 1923, a further judgment was given based on an affidavit by Mr. D. G. M. Bernard and on Articles intended to govern the proposed Hongkong War Memorial Nursing Home in accordance with the suggestion contained in the previous judgment; the effect of the latter judgment is that from 1st January 1922 half the surplus income from Granville Sharp's Estate, after providing for the maintenance of the Matilda Hospital, is to be appropriated yearly towards the erection and/or endowment of the Hongkong War Memorial Nursing Home.

In the judgment certain conditions are made, the chief ones being that:

1. The Trustees of the Nursing Home shall be:
The Trustees for the time being of the Will of the late Mr. Granville Sharp from whose Estate a large proportion of the funds is, with the sanction of the Court, derived.

The Managing Director in Hongkong for the time being of Messrs. Jardine Matheson Co. Ltd.

The Senior representative in Hongkong for the time being of Messrs. John Swire and Sons Ltd. (Messrs. Butterfield and Swire Ltd.).

The Chief Manager for the time being of the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation.

2. The Committee shall consist of:
The Trustees of the Home.

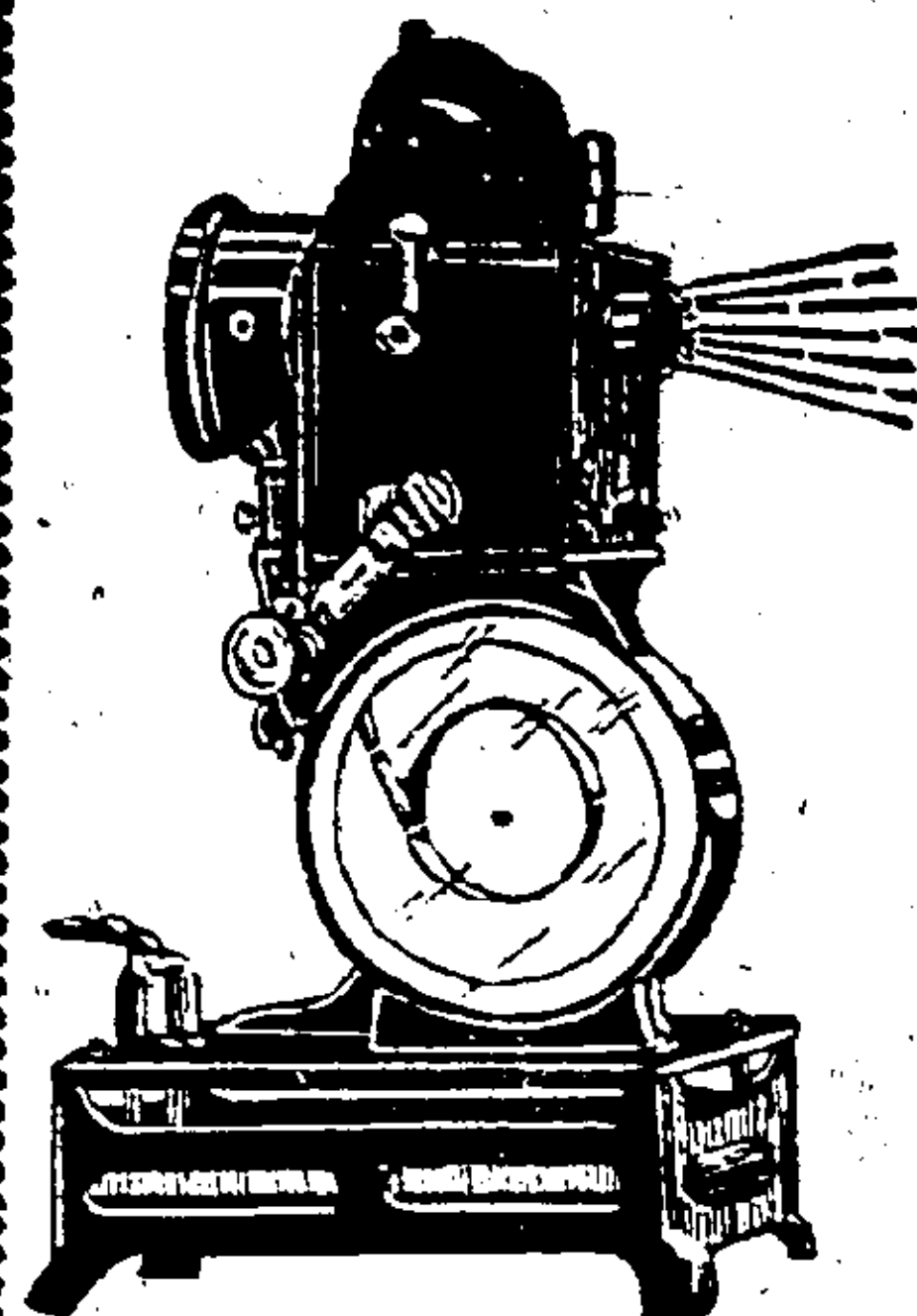
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2. Two wards, to be named after the late Mr. Granville Sharp and his wife Matilda Lincolne Sharp, shall be set apart for free patients.

4. The Trustees for the time being of the will of the late Mr. Granville Sharp shall, at the expiration of 7 years from the 1st January, 1922, report to the Registrar as to whether the provisions of the articles as above mentioned have been and are being duly observed and carried out.

Another Lakh Wanted.

It is also intended that, in addition to the Committee as constituted by the Court, the senior representative in Hongkong of any firm subscribing \$20,000.00 or upwards be *ipso facto* a member of it.

The decision of the shareholders of the Peak Hospital to wind up the Company was arrived at about July, 1922, and it is only by the generosity of Mr. J. E. Joseph in buying the place and handing it over to the Government, that the Peak Hospital is running today.

The Government is, I believe, responsible for the maintenance of it. This is one of the reasons that the scheme now submitted to you is a much more elaborate one than that contemplated at first, and as I have said it is necessary to raise a much larger sum.

It is estimated that to build and furnish a Nursing Home such as we aim at, will entail an expenditure of one million dollars, and I am very pleased to say that most of this is already in sight.

The contributions promised (and in some cases paid) together with the estimated contributions from Sharp's Estate and interest amount to \$200,000.00; we can therefore confidently appeal for the additional \$1,000,000.00 required.

The Government has very kindly assisted us by granting the \$200,000.00 already mentioned and a very fine site of about 12 acres situated about 700 feet above sea level; the site is above the new motor road to the Peak and overlooks the harbour and the Race Course; it will be shaded from the evening sun and will enjoy the southeasterly breeze through Middle Gap in the summer; it will be approached by a nearly level motor road branching off the main road.

The Plans.

Plans of the Nursing Home have been prepared, and we consulted Mrs. Johnson, Harston, Forsyth and Allen as to their technical ability; the doctors made certain suggestions for improvements and those have already been adopted. The plans are on the table and may be inspected.

I may say that accommodation is provided for 35 single rooms; there will be two free wards of 10 beds each, which will be named after the late Mr. Granville Sharp and his wife, Matilda Sharp, in accordance with the terms under which we get the grant from that Estate.

On 2nd floor will be situated the operating theatres and subsidiary rooms; Nurses' quarters are on the third floor and there will be two semi-detached houses for the Surgeon and Physician, reached by a covered corridor from the main building.

I have explained to you the scheme which has been approved by this Committee, and I hope that at this meeting you will authorise the Committee to proceed with it along the lines I have set out. Before, however, putting this proposal to the meeting, I shall be glad to answer any questions subscribers may wish to ask.

There being no questions, Sir Paul Chater proposed the adoption of the scheme. The resolution was seconded by the Hon. Mr. A. G. Stephen and unanimously carried. This concluded the business of the meeting.

V.R.C. SPORTS.

A Good Entry.

The Victoria Recreation sports meeting, which will be held at Happy Valley next Saturday promises to be highly successful judging from the alacrity with which entries have been made. Already there are no fewer than 123 entries for the events with prospect of others before the day arrives.

One principal event will be a Marathon race. For this 23 competitors have entered. 22 great majority are Europeans, one Chinese—Mr. Leung Ying-ho—and eight Indians have also rolled. The competitors will attend Happy Valley and will be conveyed to Pokfulam Station, where the race will be started by Mr. R. Wilton.

The "Tug of War" appears to be a great attraction, the Europeans having teams representing E.A.S.M.A. Club, V.R.C. and R.G.A. Two teams represent the Peak Battery H.K.S.R.G. (Sikhs and Mohammedans), two chosen from the Hong Grenadiers have entered as light weights, whilst the catchweight include teams from No. 1 Battery H.K.S.R.G.A. (Sikhs and Mohammedans) and No. 2 H.K.R.G.A. The heats will be pulled off on Friday.

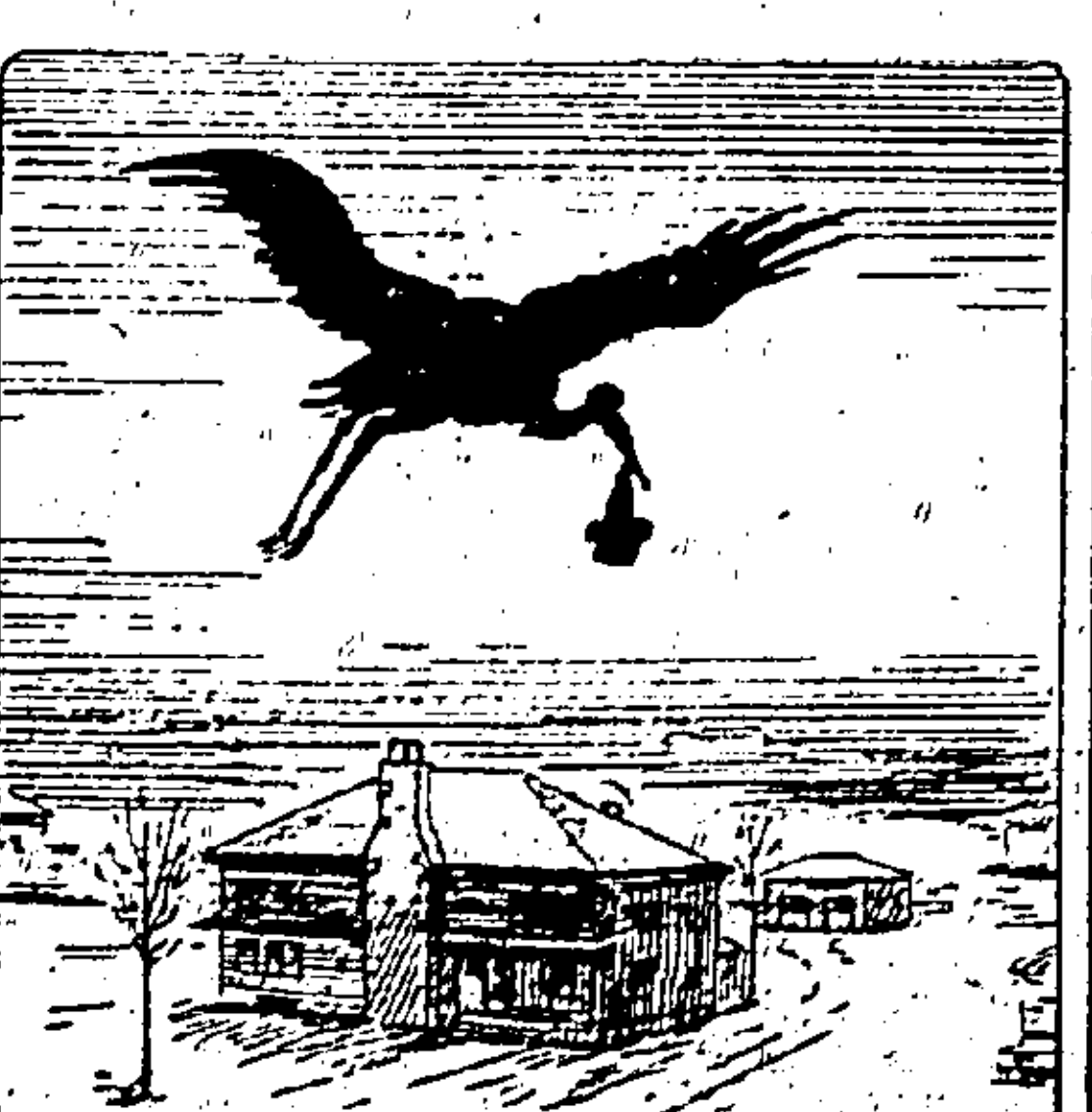
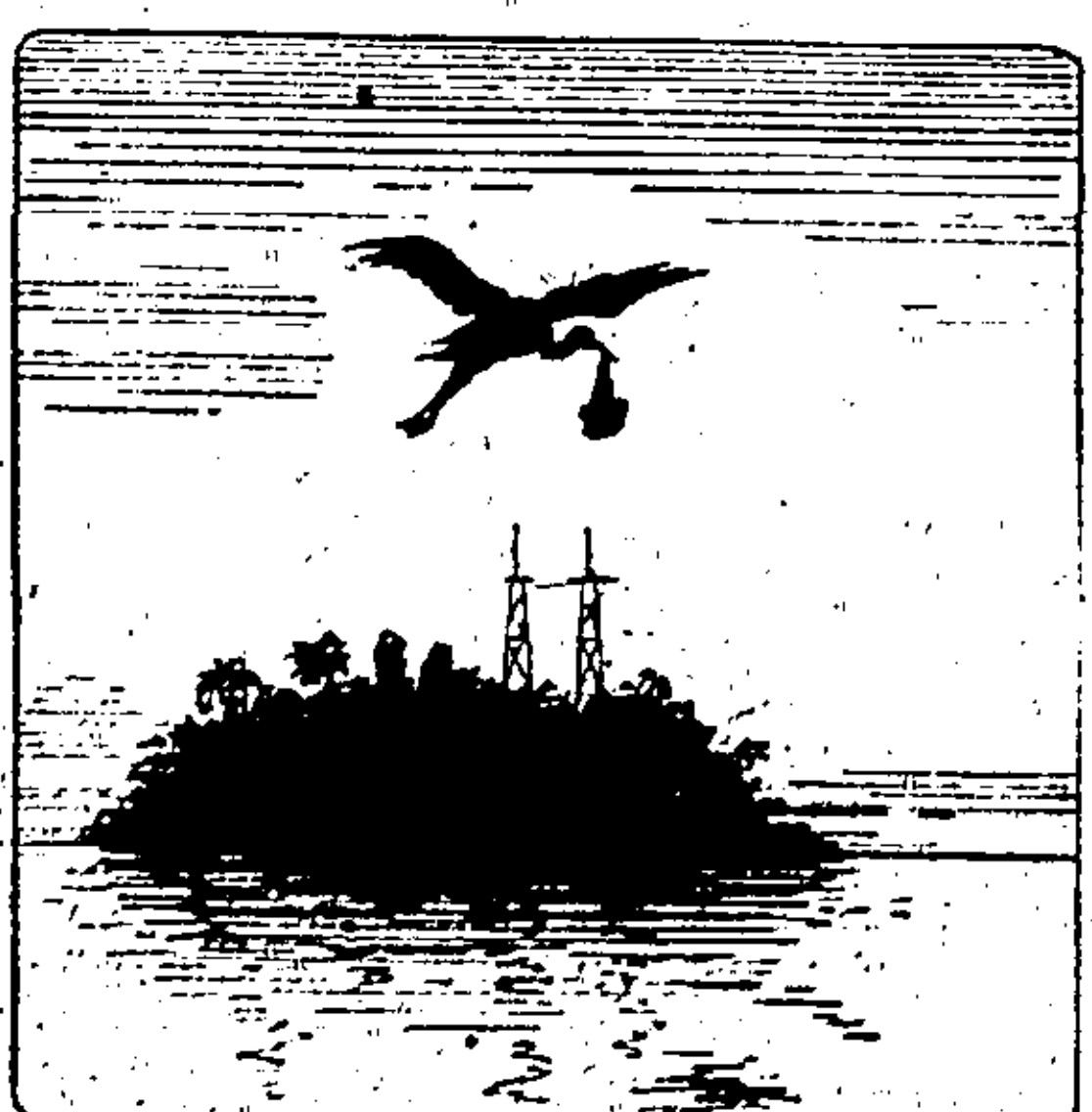
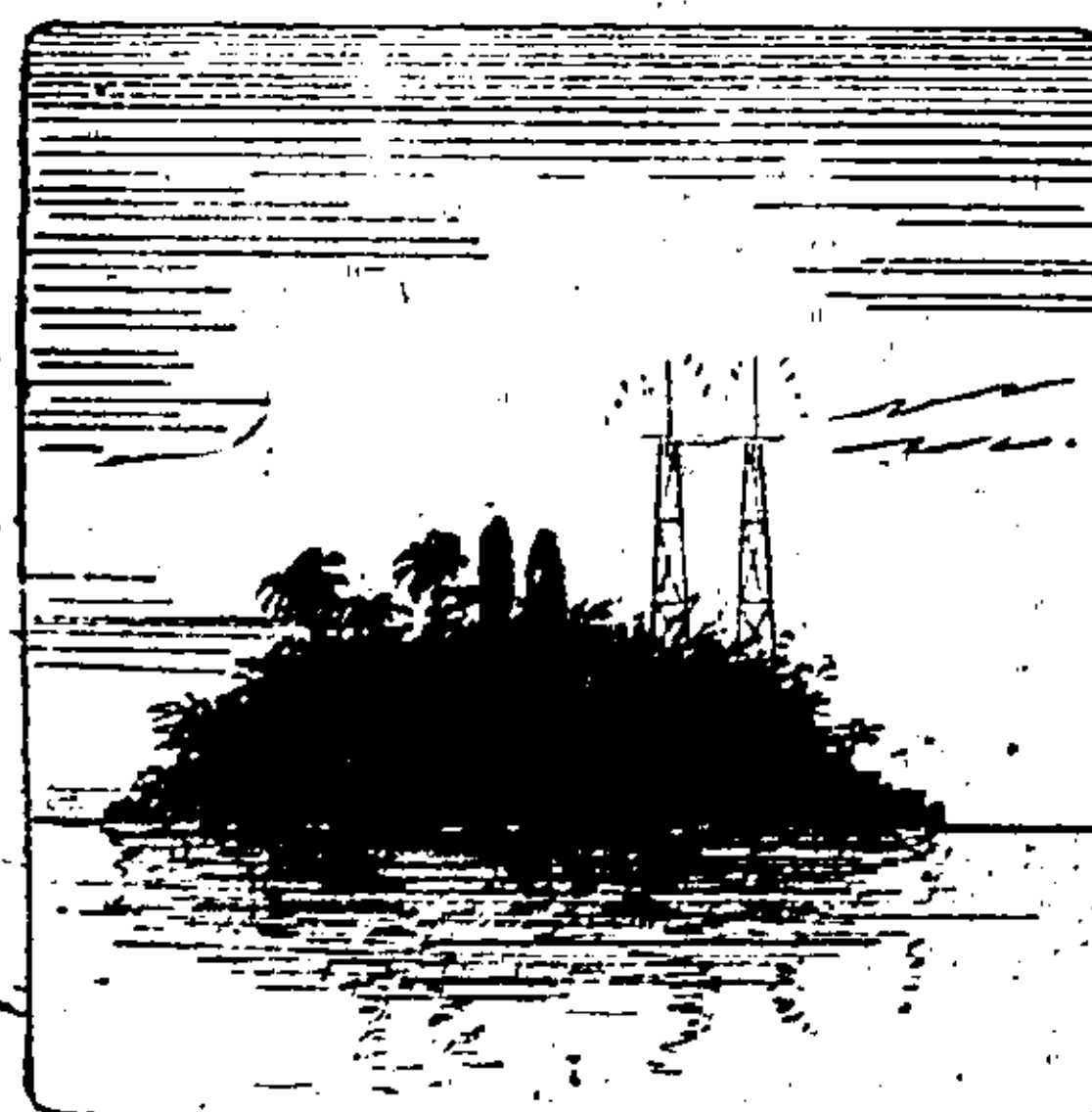
Nine men have entered for One Mile Handicap, including Stoker Bell, the two Hyders, Mair of Kowloon Dock and Chinese, Mr. Chung Yau Khoo. The 120 yards Hurdle Race boasts 15 entries. Four ladies have entered for the Ladies' Bicycle Race, but it is hoped to increase the number.

Provided the weather is, therefore, those attending Happy Valley on Saturday should be provided with a fine day's sport.

DOINGS OF THE DUFFS

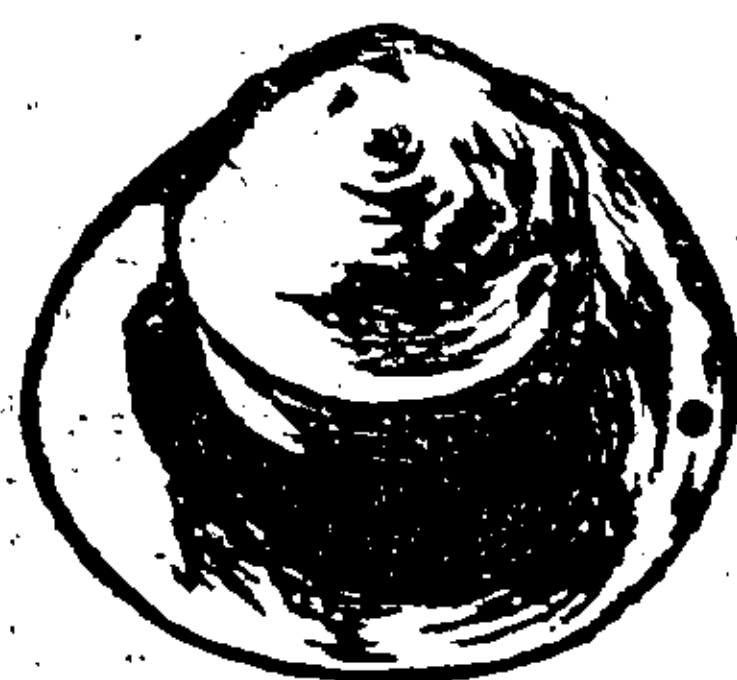
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EARLIER TELEGRAMS

CHINA'S CREDIT.

London, April 16.

In a strongly censorious leader based on Mr. McNeill's reply in the House of Commons on 14th March, the *Financial News* declares that while it was perfectly reasonable to withhold payment of German bonds in war time, many German bonds had been acquired by non-Germans in the past four years and, therefore, to this extent China was collecting reparations not from their late enemies, but their Allies and from neutrals. The paper thinks China would be well-advised to consider whether in her own interests the collection of the sum involved is worth the incalculable damage, which the present policy is inflicting on her credit in the eyes of the world. It declares that it learns that the attitude of financiers in America, where Sino-German bonds have been largely purchased, is that the New York market is closed to China as a borrower until the bonds are paid. The article concludes: There is still time for change and a return to the standards of political and financial honour, which China has hitherto enjoyed before English investors are similarly turned away from China.

THE RUHR SITUATION.

Paris, April 16.

Paris papers chorus approval of M. Poincaré's speech, regarding the strengthening of his position. They dwell on the passage wherein he declared that even those in Britain and America, who differed with France as regards the advisability of action, were unable to avoid appreciating her motives and recognising the legitimacy of her claims. The gradual change of opinion is in our favour in the United States and the whole British Empire. Fresh proof, which M. Loucheur received within the last few days is certainly mostly due to our having known what we wanted and placing our hand, upon what Mr. Bonar Law aptly called "The Jugular Vein of Germany." M. Poincaré at this point made a cordial gesture in the direction of M. Loucheur, who nodded his approval. This incident is commented on as disproving the reports of differences between M. Poincaré and M. Loucheur.

THE BRITISH PREMIERSHIP.

London, April 16.

The emphatic denial of Mr. Bonar Law's early retirement conjointly with an announcement that the Premier was playing tennis during the week-end is generally accepted as disposing of the reports of an early change in the Premiership.

Government organs like the *Morning Post* openly declare that the rumour was fostered by partisans and coalition ex-Ministers, but most of the papers, while not anticipating an early Cabinet crisis, recall Mr. Bonar Law's statement in October, intimating his intention of laying down the reins of office if his health became bad. They also dwell on recent signs of lack of homogeneity in the Conservative party and the difficulty of reconciling the "die hard" ex-coalitionist and orthodox groups in support of the contention that Mr. Bonar Law is not likely to continue indefinitely.

U.S. INDUSTRIAL BOOM.

New York, April 16.

Armour's announcement of an increase of wages by ten per cent. to two-hundred-thousand employees is the latest of the series of country-wide increases in wages by ten to fifteen per cent., whereby labour's threatened check to industrial expansion has been met.

Economists express surprise at the country's ability to absorb the present vast output of steel. The steel mills are operating at ninety-three per cent. capacity. The woollen mills are working overtime and the building trades are breaking records for activity. A big test must come in the course of the year when it will be seen whether the factories are piling up a surplus or whether the record production continues to be absorbed by domestic demand aided by a gradual betterment of foreign commerce.

MANCHESTER COTTON.

London, April 16.

The slight improvement recorded last week in the Manchester cotton trade has been accentuated in the past few days on account of a broadening enquiry from India and China and short time in the American section resulting in diminished stocks, which the spinners are reluctant to improve in view of the uncertainty of the weather in the American cotton belt.

CHINA'S PROBLEMS.

Navy and Independence Movement.

Peking, April 16.

Si Kuei has wired the Government saying that the navy at Fokien, Chefoo and other ports has not joined the independence movement, and that he will remain at his post in accordance with the wishes of the President and Premier. Sun Chuanfang is reported to have arrived at Foochow. The local Kuomintang forces have been dispersed.—*Reuter*.

TENNIS TOURNAMENT.

Yesterday's Results.

Tennis enthusiasts were disappointed yesterday afternoon. It was arranged for R. E. Worthington and H. D. Rumjahn to meet on the stand court in the Open Championship Singles. The Indian was unable to play owing to indisposition and scratched, leaving Worthington to meet Thomas Lay in the semi-final. This match will be played on the stand court to-day.

There were only three matches played yesterday afternoon, the results being as under:—
Handicap Singles "A": C. C. Stark (+15.3) beat E. R. S. Dods (+2/6), 7-5, 6-2.

Handicap Doubles: G. R. Sayer and A. D. Humphreys (+4/6) beat W. L. Thomas and A. R. Sutherland, 5-7, 6-2, 6-3; R. M. Henderson and A. Brearley (+1/6) beat C. U. Mark and R. H. Wild (+2/6), 6-2, 6-3.

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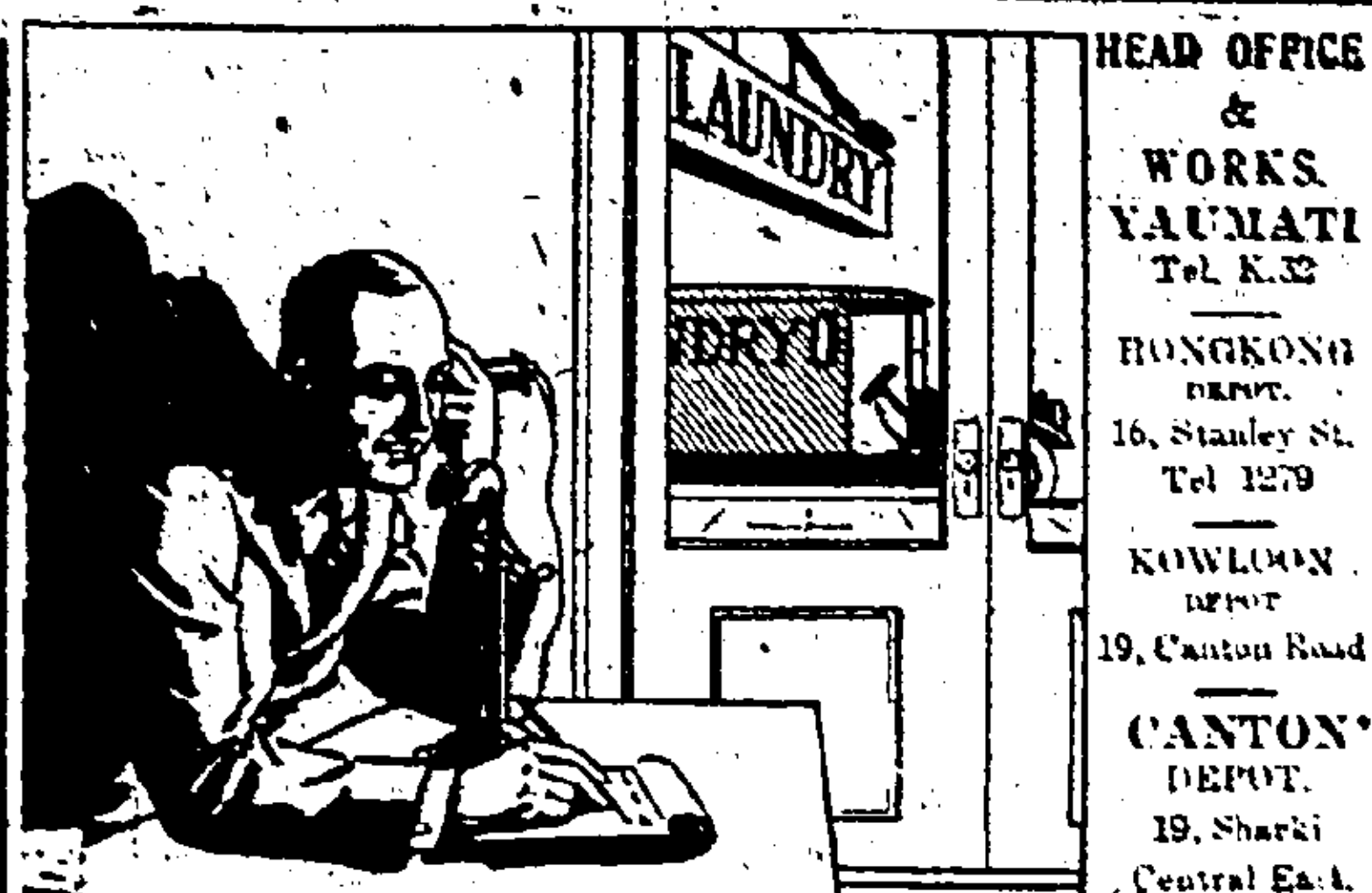
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All claims must be presented within thirty days of the steamer's arrival here, after which they cannot be recognized. No claims will be recognized after the goods have left the Godowns, and cargo undelivered on and after April 24th will be subject to rent. No fire insurance whatever will be effected.

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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the ORDINARY YEARLY MEETING of Shareholders of the THE HONGKONG HOTEL COMPANY, LIMITED will be held at HONGKONG HOTEL, Pedder Street, Hongkong on Saturday, the 28th April, 1923, at 11.30 o'clock a.m. for the purpose of receiving a statement of accounts and the report of the Board of Directors for the year ended the 31st December, 1922, confirming the appointment of a Director, and electing a Director and Auditors. The Transfer Books of the Company will be closed, from Monday, the 23rd April, 1923, until Saturday, the 28th April, 1923, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board,
WALTER J. HAWKER,
Secretary.
Hongkong, 16th April, 1923.

THE SHANGHAI HOTELS, LTD.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Twenty-eighth ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of Shareholders of THE SHANGHAI HOTELS, LTD. will be held at THE HONGKONG HOTEL, HONGKONG, on Saturday, the 28th April, 1923, at 12 o'clock noon, for the purpose of receiving a Statement of accounts and the report of the Board of Directors for the year ended the 31st December 1922, and confirming the appointment of the Directors and the Auditors.

The Transfer Books of the Company will be closed from Thursday, the 26th April, 1923, until Saturday, the 28th April, 1923, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board,
WALTER J. HAWKER,
Secretary.
Hongkong, 16th April, 1923.

MARINE ENGINEERS' GUILD OF CHINA.

Hongkong Branch.

THE Regular Monthly Meeting will be held at the Guild Office, Sailors' Home, West Point, on Wednesday, 18th April at 5 o'clock, p.m.

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We fully realise that in the case of many of our Members, their gifts will only reach us after the Royal Wedding. It is proposed, therefore, not to present His Royal Highness with the names of the subscribers to the Fund until every Member, even the most distant, has had time to subscribe.—Yours very truly,

JOHN EVELYN WRENCH

(Secretary.)

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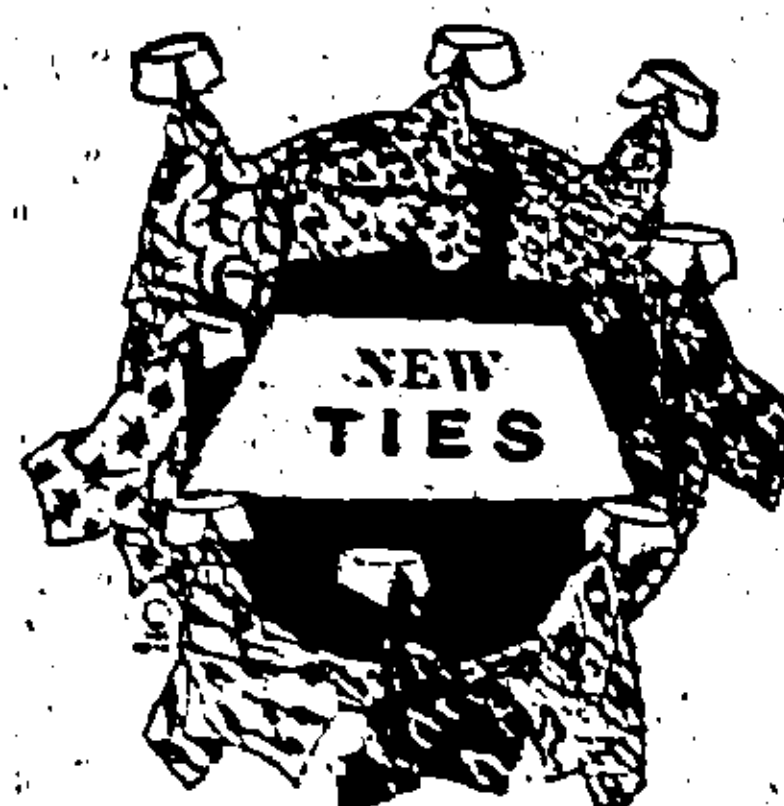
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Hongkong, April 6th. 1923.

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on WEDNESDAY,
the 18th April, 1923, at 11 a.m., at
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2,333 Sacks of Flour,
Slightly Damaged.
Hongkong, 10th April, 1923.

on WEDNESDAY,
the 18th April, 1923, at 2.30 p.m.,
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- (8) Other methods for reducing
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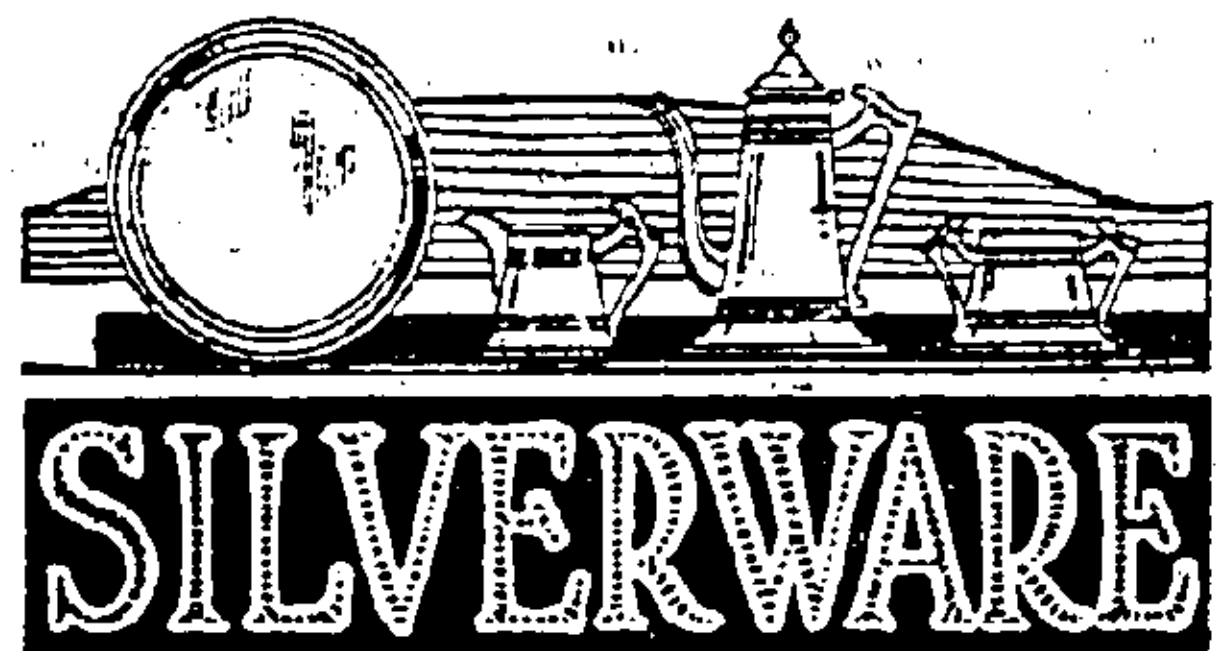
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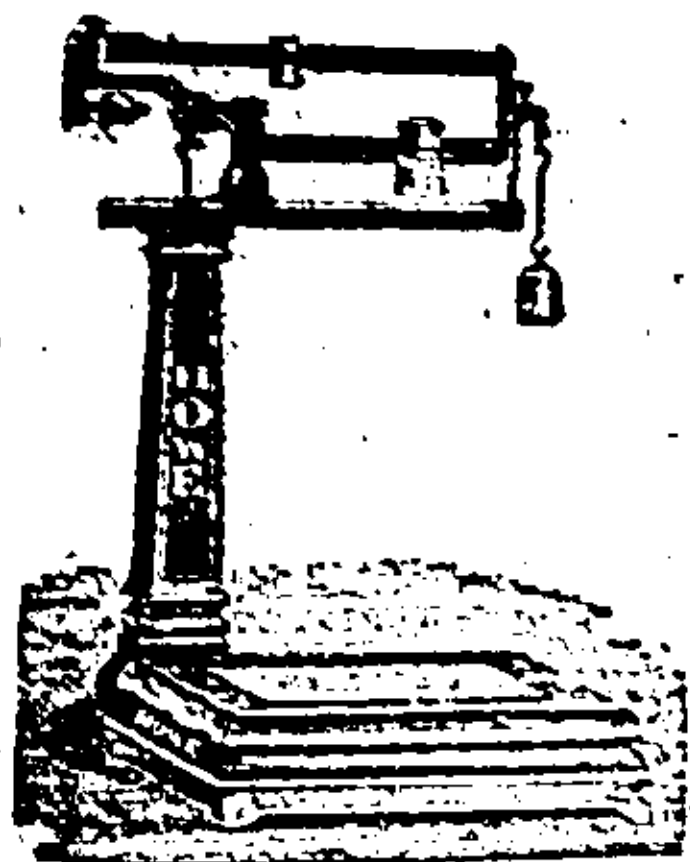
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DEATH.

AINSLIE.—On April 15th, at Bournemouth, Annie Elizabeth, beloved wife of E. J. Ainslie.

The Telegraph.

HONGKONG, 17th April, 1923.

RENT RESTRICTION.

The Rents Restriction Ordinance is shortly to come before the Legislative Council for renewal, and that fact gives added point to the letter, which we yesterday published, from Mr. Pollock explaining in detail the present provisions of the law. That the Ordinance in its present form is a most complex enactment there cannot be the least doubt. To the great mass of the Chinese its true character and its rather involved provisions cannot be rightly understood, whilst we have encountered many Europeans who have had only the foggiest idea of their exact position as tenants under the Ordinance. The trouble, of course, lies in the fact that the Ordinance does not merely lay down a standard rent and leave the matter there. All manner of provisos and exceptions are incorporated in the law, and it is in connection with these that unscrupulous landlords are able to evade their obligations and fleece unsuspecting tenants. We presume that some of these exceptions are necessary in a law of this character, but, expressed in legal phraseology, they serve to complicate matters and lead to a deal of litigation. If attached to enactments of this nature there could be added a supplement a clear exposition of the Ordinance, couched in ordinary, workaday language, there would be far less misunderstanding than now exists.

Mr. Pollock has performed a public service by explaining the Rents Ordinance, but there does seem an opportunity for some organisation in touch with the Chinese masses to circulate a statement of the actual position, since Mr. Pollock's letter must necessarily appeal to few outside the European community. We welcome the writer's intimation that he intends later setting forth amendments which are needed to the "reconstruction" clauses of the Ordinance. It is quite obvious that there is a deal of evasion going on in this connection, especially amongst the Chinese community. Whilst improvements to old and ill-built houses are to be welcomed, it

seems pretty clear that many landlords are merely doing the minimum required in order to enable them to free their property from the restrictions laid down by the Ordinance, whilst some, we fear, manage to get tenants out by doing even less. Another point worthy of mention is that many landlords decline to discharge what we may term their ordinary obligations in the way of repairs, etc., because they are prevented by law from charging what rent they choose.

There are certainly many respects in which the law needs clarification and improvement, and we hope that these matters will be raised when the Ordinance next comes before the members of the Legislative Council.

The Unionist "Crisis."

Whilst it is apparently going too far to state that there is actually a crisis in the Conservative party, it is obvious that the series of severe jolts received recently from the Opposition has caused a stir in Government circles. It is interesting, therefore, to note the positive statements about Mr. Bonar Law's forthcoming retirement, because it seems almost as if the wish in some quarters has been father to the thought. An important thing to remember, however, is that the Premier is unfortunately what might be termed a sick man. His health is anything but robust, and at the time of his election fears were expressed that he would not be able to carry on for long. Were he to resign shortly on his taking this step, it will be on grounds of ill-health, so that his relinquishment of office will have practically no political significance except insofar as his successor be concerned.

Apparently Messrs. Austen Chamberlain and Stanley Baldwin are not favourites in the eyes of the speculators as to the new Premier. Either would be a suitable choice, the latter perhaps the better of the two. It is interesting, again, to find the name of Mr. Winston Churchill mentioned as a probable member of the Cabinet. His friends—and political enemies—predicted at the time the Coalition collapsed that he would not be out of action for long, and it seems as if this prophecy is about to be verified.

Obtaining Precedence.

A very good commentary on the Chinese idea of what constitutes justice is contained in an item of news from Canton concerning a new decree in the matter of precedence in judicial trials. It is a notorious fact that cases called up in the Courts there are subject to inordinate delays, with seemingly no trace of what in British law is defined as the right of *habeas corpus*. The practice of "squeeze," if not openly encouraged, has obtruded its ugly head now and again, but for the most part has been decently hidden. Now, however, we have the spectacle of its possible encouragement exposed for all to observe who will. The head of the Judiciary Department in Canton has issued an order that in future precedence in the order of their calling up should be given to those cases which will bring in high court fees, instead of their being taken by order of date of filing. The change is explained by the urgent need of funds. The likelihood of bribery and corruption being invited by this change is a matter which, apparently, is of secondary importance. Who said extra-territoriality?

LATE MR. NG HON-TSZ.

Funeral This Afternoon.

The funeral of the late Hon. Mr. Ng Hon-tsz took place this afternoon, and was very largely attended. The cortege left the deceased's residence in Caine Road at one o'clock, and reached the Farewell Monument at Kennedy Town at about three o'clock, where it was joined by many prominent residents of the European and Chinese communities. His Excellency the Governor attended, whilst the Hon. Mr. R. H. Kowall, deceased's colleague on the Legislative Council, was prevented by indisposition from being present but was represented by his wife.

The funeral procession was one of the longest and most elaborate seen in Hongkong for some time and was watched by large crowds of onlookers. The interment took place at the Chinese Permanent Cemetery at Aberdeen.

DAY BY DAY.

IT IS FAR MORE DIFFICULT TO BE SIMPLE THAN TO BE COMPLICATED; FAR MORE DIFFICULT TO SACRIFICE SKILL AND CEASE EXERTION IN THE PROPER PLACE, THAN TO EXPEND BOTH INDISCRIMINATELY.—Ruskin.

The Hongkong University Athletic Association is holding its annual sports meeting on Saturday next.

General Tsui Siu-ching, Civil Governor of Canton, returned from Hongkong by the s.s. Fat-shan yesterday.

A Chinese was admitted into the Government Civil Hospital yesterday suffering from injuries caused by being knocked down by a motor car.

A gas fitter had his hand severely burnt yesterday through an explosion of gas at Tsinguen Street. He was taken to the Government Civil Hospital.

A District Court Martial is to be held on Monday next, when two men from the King's Battalion (Pte. Edward Smith and Pte. John Wilde) will come up for trial.

Members of the Overseas Club are invited to join in a movement to present a wedding gift to H.R.H. the Duke of York on the occasion of his forthcoming marriage, as will be seen by an advertisement elsewhere.

The high winds and heavy rains of the past few days have done considerable damage to telephone wires and posts in the Colony, and the Telephone Co.'s staff have been hard at work restoring the lines and keeping communications in order.

The Criminal Sessions commenced to-morrow. There are eight cases and seventeen accused to come before the Court. There are five indictments for unlawful possession of arms, two charges of assault with intent to rob, a robbery by two or more, a wounding with intent, and a murder charge.

The oratorio selections given in St. John's Cathedral last evening were splendidly rendered, and those assembled also greatly appreciated the singing of the University Anthem, composed by Mr. Denman Fuller, who was at the organ. A collection was taken on behalf of Dr. Barnardo's Homes.

The many friends of Mr. E. J. Ainslie, of Messrs. Lane, Crawford, Ltd., will read with deep regret of the death of his wife, which took place at Bournemouth on Sunday. Mrs. Ainslie has had a long and trying illness, having been a patient in a sanatorium for the past two years. For a time she resided in Hongkong, where she was married, but sickness necessitated her leaving for home in February, 1921, accompanied by her husband and only child, for whom the deepest sympathy is now felt.

"TOO MUCH BUSINESS."

Coronet's Amusing Comedy.

"Too much Business" is the title of the seven-reel Vitaphone comedy which is the current attraction at the Coronet. It is a screen version of one of the "John Henry" stories by Earl Derr Biggers which have found such favour with readers of the *Saturday Evening Post*.

The plot presents a hero who is in love with a girl who frowns upon romance. So he puts his love affair on a strictly business foundation, taking out an option on her for thirty days and proving to her that he can double his salary within that period. Fired by his boss, he opens a hotel for babies and the day nursery becomes highly popular. There is an amusing complication to the plot because his rival is determined to ruin the hero's novel venture. The comedy is brightly and interestingly interpreted and the direction is highly capable.

THREE R'S OF RENT ACT.

"When a tenant does not pay his rent he either complains about the rates or about the house being out of repair. If there is nothing else he complains about rate. Rates, Repairs, Rate—those are the new three R's invoked in Rent Act cases."—Judge Parfitt at Clerkenwell County Court.

EVENTS IN THE OCCUPIED TERRITORY.

German Minister's Declaration of Policy.

(Reuter's Service.)

(Continued from Page 1.)

Berlin, April 16. Contrary to international expectation, the Foreign Minister, Doctor Von Rosenberg, in a speech in the Reichstag made no definite proposals as regards the reparations problem. It is believed, however, that Germany's ignored January offer of thirty milliards of gold marks will eventually form the basis of a solution. The Reich will not entertain plans for the formation of a Rhenish Federal State on the transfer of its rights to international organisations. It rejected a recent Franco-Belgian proposal for a system of gradual evacuation of the Ruhr.

Replying to M. Poincare's Dunkirk speech of yesterday, Dr. Von Rosenberg declared that Germany was compelled to import British coal; but admitted that currencies were being sent abroad, in order to save the people from hunger. He denied that the Schutzpolizei were in any way a military organisation; and wound up by expressing Germany's determination to hold out until France recognised Germany's rights.

Coblence, April 15.

The Inter-Allied Rhine Commission has ordered the expulsion of a further 1,336 German officials, chiefly railwaymen.

Berlin, April 16.

The French have postponed payment of the fine of a hundred and five million marks recently imposed on Essen in respect of the murder of a French soldier.

RANGOON OILFIELDS STRIKE CONTINUES.

Rangoon, April 16.

It is expected that a settlement of the strike in the Yenong-yang oilfield, in which ten thousand are involved, demanding a large increase of wages and recognition of equality of treatment of American and Burman skilled workers, will be deferred, owing to the alleged victimisation of a hundred members of the dismissed labour union. The strikers demand the appointment of an arbitration board.

THE AMERICAN ARMY'S COST.

Paris, April 16.

At a meeting of the committee on the expenses of the armies of occupation, the European delegates decided to adjourn the discussion in order to consult their respective Governments owing to new objections by Mr. Wadsworth, the American delegate, as the result of his latest exchange of telegrams with Washington. It is now expected that an agreement will be more difficult of attainment than was at first anticipated.

FRENCH TEXTILE WORKERS' WAGES.

Paris, April 16.

A message from Lille states that 8,960 textile workers have struck in the factories which are not paying the wages demanded by their union, but 5,000 others have been allowed to work in the factories where the scale has been accepted.

THE NEW RUHR SANCTIONS.

Duesseldorf, April 16.

Messieurs Maginot, De La Sayrie, and Le Troquer, the French Ministers of War, Finance, and Public Works, respectively, have arrived to carry out the new measures in the Ruhr decided on at the Franco-Belgian conference in Paris.

SINGAPORE AUSTRALIA'S NAVAL GUARD.

Melbourne, April 16.

In view of the Imperial Government's scheme for developing a naval base at Singapore, the Commonwealth Government has deferred action as regards the West Australian base proposed by Admiral Henderson.

IRISH TRANSPORT MEN ON STRIKE.

London, April 16.

The cross-channel services between Liverpool, and Dublin and Dundalk are suspended owing to a strike of the Irish transport workers' union against the national reduction of seafarers' wages.

JAPANESE ROYAL PATIENTS IMPROVE.

Paris, April 16.

Princess Kitashirakawa and Prince Asaka continue to improve. [The Prince and Princess were involved in a fatal motor smash at Bernay at the beginning of this month.]

STILL OUT IN THE COLD.

London, April 16.

In the House of Commons, replying to Lt. Comdr. Kenworthy, Mr. Ronald McNeill said that Russia had not been invited to the conference at Lausanne.

AN AMERICAN LAW UPHELD.

Washington, April 16.

The Supreme Court has declared that the grain futures trading law is valid and constitutional.

NEW U.S. CRUISER LAUNCHED.

Philadelphia, April 16.

The light cruiser Trenton, which is one of ten building, has been launched.

BIG PROPERTY DEAL.

North Point installation last year.

Wanchai Lot Goes for \$700,000.

A big transaction, involving a purchase price of about \$700,000, was put through last week-end, when the old power station of the Hongkong Electric Company, and the other buildings at Wing Fung Street, Wanchai, covering a site of over 109,000 square feet, was sold, it is said to a Chinese buyer.

It will be remembered that the Electric Company removed its whole plant from Wanchai to the

The deal involves an area that is estimated to be sufficient for the erection of between sixty and seventy Chinese tenement houses—one of the most paying house-building propositions nowadays.

On enquiry from an authoritative source this morning we had news of this sale confirmed, and we understand that the official announcement will be made at the Electric Company's meeting next Saturday. Incidentally, the rumours of the sale appear to have affected the quotations of the Company's shares, which have appreciated in value during the past few days.

"THE NATURALIST IN MANCHURIA."**First Volume of a Valuable Work.**

We have received from the publishers, the Tientsin Press, Ltd., Tientsin, the first volume of a work on natural history and travel that should for years to come form a standard work of reference. It is by the well-known North China naturalist, Mr. A. de C. Sowerby, F.R.G.S., F.Z.S., M.B.O.U., and author of several notable books, including "Fur and Feather in North China."

Mr. Sowerby's new work is entitled "The Naturalist in Manchuria," and is based on the biological and geographical explorations carried out by the author, on behalf of the United States National Museum, through the little-known region of which present-day Manchuria forms the centre. There could not have been a more competent man, both for the actual exploration involved and this subsequent publication for the benefit of the general public. In our leading article yesterday we referred to the aptly exhibited by so many people towards scientific research in China, and commented on the fact that there were fortunately a few enthusiasts at Shanghai. We had Mr. Sowerby particularly in mind when penning that statement.

In this initial volume, we have a most absorbing record of travel and exploration, which has filled many hours of our reading, pleasantly and profitably, for more than a week. There are three colour plates by the author, besides numerous photographs and sketches of his, and these lend to the value of the work. The avoidance, as much as possible, of technical language, makes the book one that is sure to appeal to a very wide circle of readers.

Mr. Sowerby, again, has a happy gift of narrative, and there is not a dull page in the whole 340 odd. We are given a wealth of information covering the author's experiences of the hunting of big game, with a general discussion of the natural history of the areas visited, and an interesting account of the various races of men to be found in the region—Tartar, Chinese, Korean and Ainu.

At the end of the volume is a valuable bibliography of the area dealt with, a carefully compiled index, and an explanatory map of the Manchurian region. The whole get-up of the book, with its clear print, on good quality paper, makes it an additional treasure for the possessor, and a credit to the publishers. We understand that the price is \$12.50.

THE LAND BOOM.**Crown Lots Fetch Big Prices.**

An area of 8,000 square feet of Crown land at Kennedy Town, described as inland lot 2415, was put up for auction at the P.W.D. yesterday afternoon at the upset price of \$4,800. The lot was purchased by Mr. Li Sing-ku for \$37,000.

A piece of land in Kowloon at the junction of Nathan and Gascoigne Roads, officially described as Kowloon inland lot 1525, was offered at the upset price of \$20,000. The area of this lot was 8,000. Mr. Chan Lai-to was the purchaser after keen competition for the sum of \$57,500, which works out about \$7.20 a square foot.

A valuable site at Cheungshan, adjoining the Shumshui-pu reclamation, with an area of 49,500 square feet was the last lot sold. The upset price was \$14,850. The first bid took the price to \$25,000 and in less than five minutes \$60,000 was offered. The lot was knocked down for \$83,800, but owing to a dispute the plot had to be put up again, with the last named figure as the upset price. Messrs. Pun Hing and Li Sing-ku were purchasers, the price obtained being \$98,700, or a little over \$2 a square foot.

"I SPY STRANGERS"

On taking her accustomed seat recently, the solitary woman member of Darwin Town Council held a month old baby, which surveyed the proceedings for 45 minutes untroubled. The mother was congratulated publicly and privately on the behaviour of the little stranger.

FRENCH SQUADRON'S VISIT.**Ball at the Consulate.**

In honour of the visit of Rear Admiral Gilly and staff, the French Consul General and Madame Kramer gave a most enjoyable ball at the Consulate last night. The exterior of the building was very prettily illuminated, whilst palms and flowers were also freely used in decorating the interior. The guests, who included naval and military officers, Government officials and leading residents, were received by the Consul and Madame Kramer, and introduced to the visiting Admiral. An excellent programme of dances was provided, refreshments were liberally supplied, and later supper was served. The function was in every way a complete success.

Amongst those who attended were His Excellency Major General Sir John Fowler, Sir William and Lady Rees Davies, Sir Robert and Lady Ho Tung, Rear Admiral Gilly and his officers, Commodore H. E. Grace, Mrs. Grace and Miss Grace, Sir Paul Chater, Rev. Father Robert, Hon. Mr. A. G. M. Fletcher, Col. Nicholson, His Honour Mr. H. H. J. Gompertz and Mrs. Gompertz, the Hon. Mr. and Mrs. E. V. D. Parr, Hon. Mr. C. McL. Messer, Hon. Mr. and Mrs. P. H. Holyoak, Mr. and Mrs. G. T. Edkins, Mr. and Mrs. D. G. M. Bernard, Hon. Mr. and Mrs. E. D. C. Wolfe, Dr. and Mrs. Strahan, Mr. and Mrs. A. R. Lowe, M. and Mme. C. E. W. Ricou, Dr. and Mrs. Vadon, M. Marsot and many other members of the French community.

Chinese Visit Flagship.

A delegation from the Chinese General Chamber of Commerce visited the French flagship this morning and were received by the Admiral, the delegate from the French Ministry of Commerce, and by M. Felix Yung, of the Consulate General. After a tour of inspection of the photographic exhibits, in the course of which it was explained that ancient Chinese art had been applied in the manufacture of some of the objects, the party proceeded into the Admiral's saloon, where appropriate toasts were honoured. Included in the party were Messrs. Yip Lan-chuen (Secretary of the Chamber), Simon Tse-yun, Wong Kwong-tin, Wong Ping-sang, Chow Chuen-nin, Si Yow-chin, Foo Yik-pang, Chan Po-kwong, Li Tse-fong, Yeung Po-kwan, Win Lew-cheung, Chan-ning, Ko Kit-chun, Ma Man-fai.

To-night the Admiral will hold a banquet and ball aboard his flagship.

EXPORTED BRANDY.**A Local Company Fined.**

The Holland Pacific Trading Company were summoned before Mr. J. R. Wood this morning for failing to mark the words "for re-export" on cases of brandy, and for failing to return the export permit within 24 hours.

On the first charge, defendants explained to his Worship that 18 months ago the Import and Export Department commenced to give out blue labels which are put on bottles on which duty had been paid. Consequently they thought that there was no need to mark the words referred to, as any case which did not have those labels would necessarily be for export.

Mr. H. A. Taylor, Superintendent of the Imports and Exports Office, informed the Magistrate that every other firm was meeting this requirement.

Defendants also explained that the lot in question was the very last shipment by the Company prior to the transference of the business to another company. A little mix-up was only to be expected.

A fine of \$5 was imposed on the first count. As regards the second, defendants' contention was that the shipment could not be exported on the day expected, and an application for a change of dates in the export permit was made, but it was refused by the clerk in charge.

An adjournment for enquiries was ordered.

TOWN SIX YEARS SOBER.

It was reported by the police at Brandon, Suffolk, Licensing Sessions, that there had been no conviction for drunkenness in the division for six years. The chairman observed that he thought this was a record for any town in the country.

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A QUICK MAIL.**Home Letters of March 20th. Due To-day.**

Business men and residents of the Colony generally will be interested to hear that there is due here this evening a mail from Home bearing date of March 20th. This mail is being brought here by the new Blue Funnel steamer Automedon, which is due in port at 5 p.m. to-day. This will mean that she will have done the run from Liverpool to Hongkong in the very good time of 31 days. The letters she is carrying were posted in England as late as Tuesday, March 20th. They were sent overland via Brindisi and picked up by the Automedon at Suez.

The Blue Funnel Line is undoubtedly doing excellent work in the quick despatch of mails from Home, and this latest accomplishment must be a record unequalled since the war.

Late Notification.

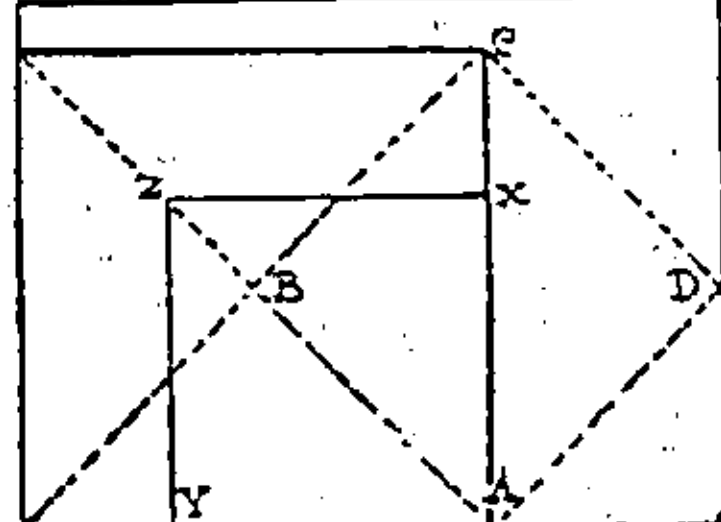
In view of the late notification of the impending arrival of the above mail, so that there was no mention of it in the Post Office circular this morning, we made enquiries at the General Post Office, and learned that the postal authorities were themselves not notified of the mail being aboard this Blue Funnel steamer until this forenoon. Evidently there is need for an improvement in this procedure. In the case of the P. & O. vessels, the General Post Office at Singapore cables the news of their being Home mails on board, so that the authorities at Hongkong have ample time to notify their forthcoming arrival. As the Blue Funnel steamers touch at Singapore, a similar arrangement could easily be made in their case. At present the local Post Office has to wait until the agents here issue particulars of any mails that might be aboard, news of which arrives by wireless from the captain.

We understand that one suggestion put forward by a competent authority is that the agents of all vessels carrying mails notify the fact as early as possible, as in the case of steamers departing with mails. The Ordinance in force obliges all impending shipping departures to be notified to the Post Office, but no provision is made in the case of arrivals.

A PUZZLE A DAY.

Three girls each had an equal number of pennies. They met nine boys, and gave to each of the nine boys an equal number of pennies, so that all the boys and girls had the same number apiece. What was the smallest number of pennies that each girl could have had in the beginning?

Saturday's answer:



In the diagram, the triangle formed by the lines between A, B and C is just one-fourth the size of the large square. Accordingly, the dotted square, ABCD, is just one-half the size of the big square. By measuring off A to X and A to Y the same length as A to B, the man found the correct lengths for the sides of his smaller square. A to X to Z to Y to A.

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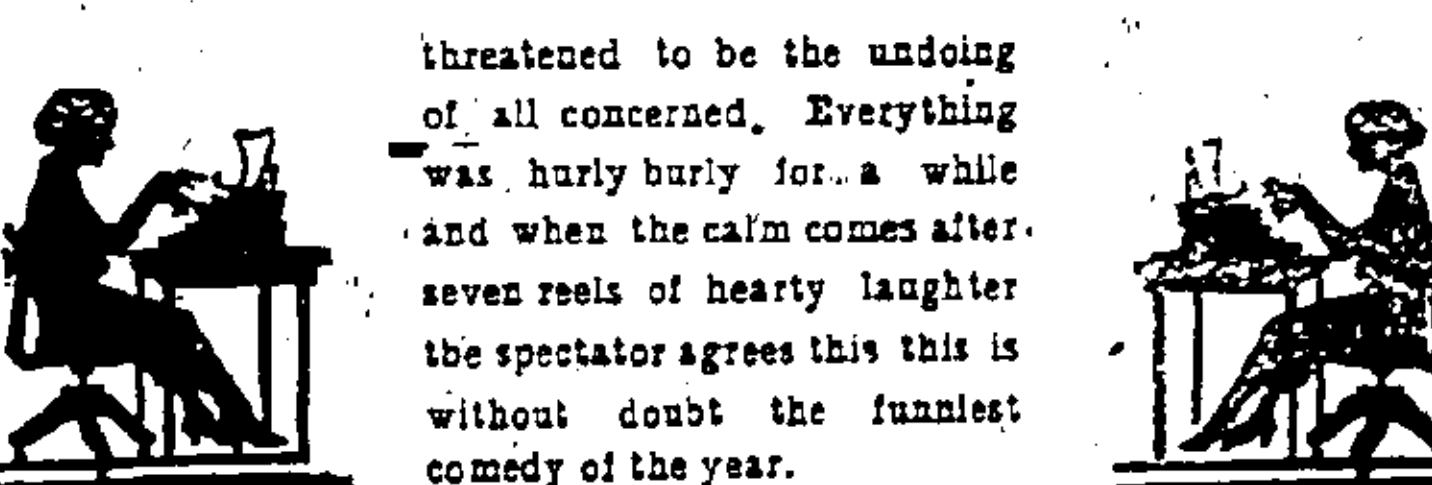
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Major J. W. Downer, commander of the first U. S. Army unit to enter France and who returned with the last of the Rhine contingent of American troops.



This is the first photo of Mrs. Harding since her illness. President and Mrs. Harding were snapped as they left Washington for a pleasure trip in Florida.



Because some men have overlooked the formality of an introduction, Washington girls have organized to protect themselves from unwelcome advances. Here are some charter members of the Anti-Fliet Club. Inset shows Alice Reighly, president.



View of a busy part of Frankfurt in Germany.



Johnny Mihok, an amateur boxer, who for a bet climbed to the top of this chimney, 150 feet from the ground.



Above is a woman sergeant in the Turkish Nationalist Army.



President Harding and Mr. Henry P. Fletcher, U.S. ambassador to Belgium, leaving the White House.



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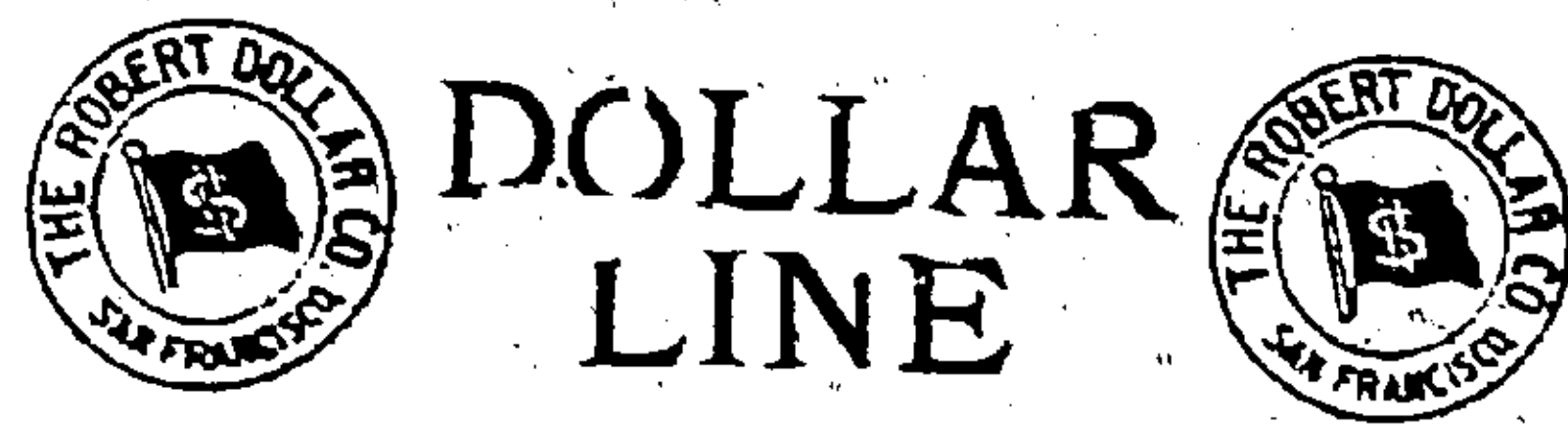
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CONSIGNEES.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

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All claims must be presented within ten days of the steamer's arrival here, after which date they cannot be recognized.

No claim will be admitted after the goods have left the Godowns. No fire insurance has been effected.

NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA.

Hongkong, 14th April, 1923.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

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Bills of Lading will be countersigned by

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Agents.

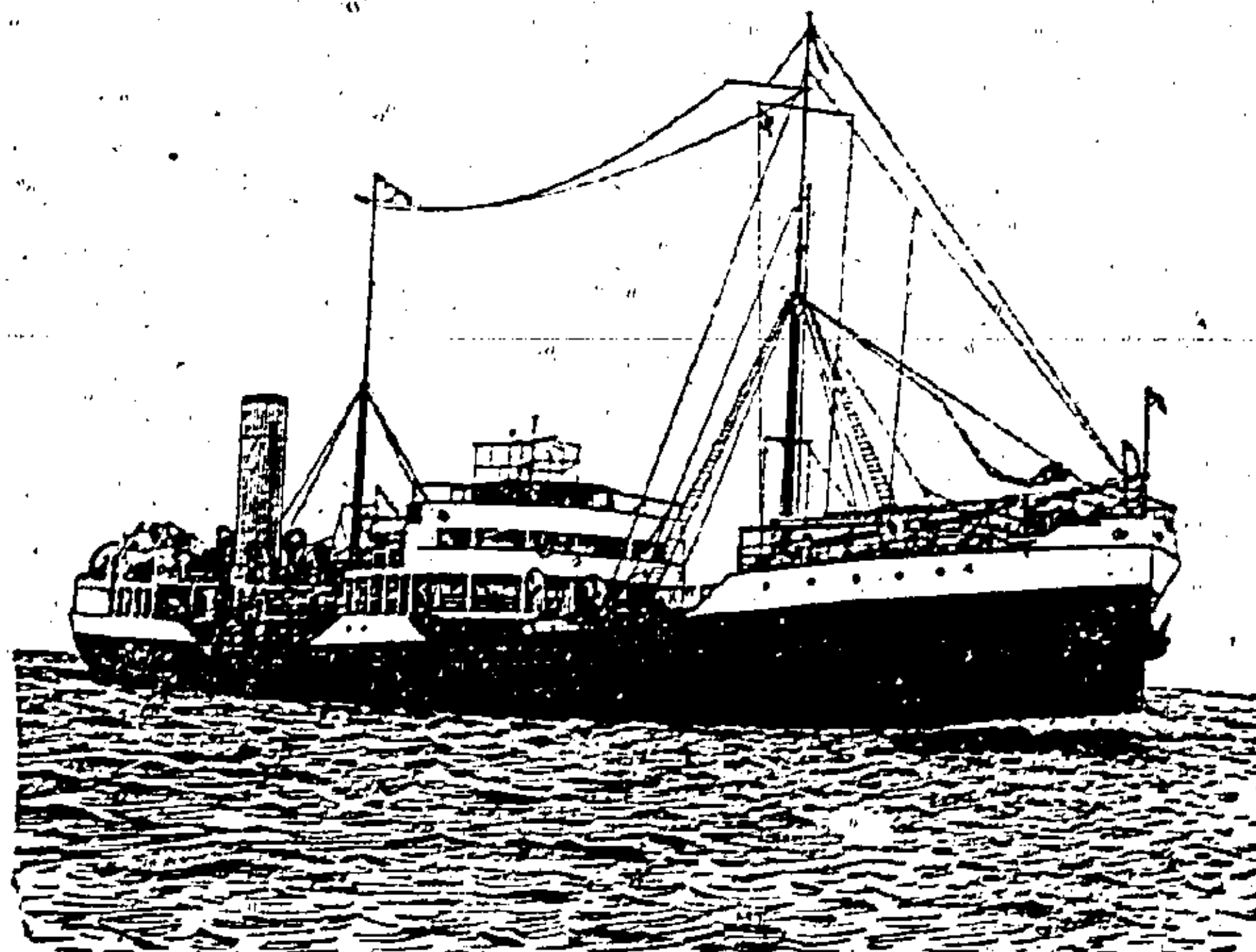
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SICILIA	6,813	3rd May	S'pore, P'ang, C'bo & B'bay
KIDDERPORE	5,334	9th May	Singapore, Penang, Bombay

BRITISH INDIA-APCAR SAILINGS (South)

TAKADA	6,949	21st Apr.	Singapore, Penang, Calcutta
TORILLA	5,205	13th May	Singapore, Penang, Calcutta

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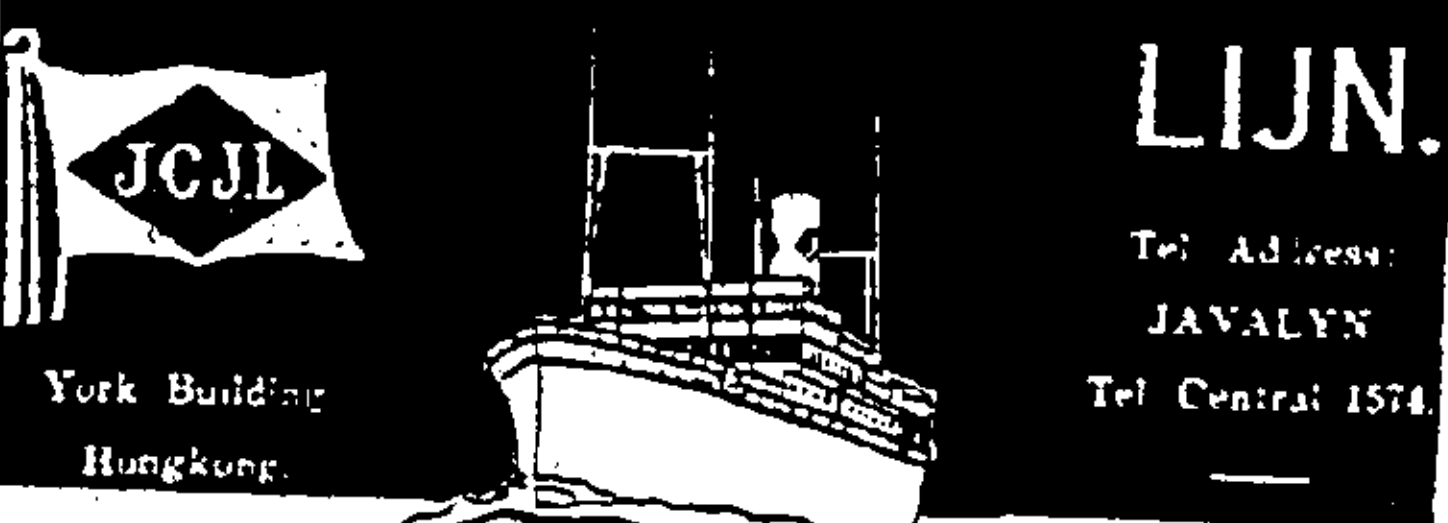
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SICILIA	6,702	21st Apr.	Shanghai only
NYANZA	7,023	23rd Apr.	S'hai, Moji, K'obe & Y'hama
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EASTERN	4,000	8th May	Japan direct

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Tjilong	Java	in port	19th Apr.	S'hai & Japan
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Tjisondari	Java	23rd Apr.	28th Apr.	Daly
Tjitarom	N. China	—	30th Apr.	Banka, B. B'via

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GLENAPP	5th May	GLENOGLE	19th May
GLENGARRY	21st May	GLENARIFFE	25th May

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ARMAND BEHIC	—	—	17th Apr.
PAUL LECAT	—	—	30th Apr.
ANDRE LEBON	9th Mar.	15th Apr.	15th May
NABOISE	23rd Mar.	24th Apr.	29th May
CORDILLERE	6th Apr.	8th May	12th June
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MISHIMA MARU ... Tuesday, 17th Apr. at 4 p.m.
HAKOZAKI MARU ... Wednesday, 9th May.

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MATSUMOTO MARU ... Tuesday, 17th April, at 4 p.m.
TAMIMA MARU ... 1st half May.
LIVERPOOL via MARSEILLES (& VALENCIA).
TOYOHASHI MARU ... 1st half May.

SYDNEY & MELBOURNE via Manila, &c.
YOSHINO MARU ... Wednesday, 18th April.
AKI MARU ... Wednesday, 16th May.

NEW YORK & BOSTON via PANAMA.
TAKETOYO MARU ... Tuesday, 17th Apr.
BUENOS AIRES via S'pore, Delagoa Bay, Durban & Cape Town.
SOMBAI via Singapore, Penang & Colombo.
SADO MARU ... Friday, 27th April.
MONI MARU ... Monday, 7th May.

CALCUTTA via Singapore, Penang & Rangoon.
YAMAGATA MARU ... Tuesday, 1st May.
YAGASAKI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA.
TANGO MARU ... Thursday, 17th May.

SHANGHAI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA.
WAKASA MARU ... Tuesday, 17th April, at 5 p.m.
HARUNA MARU ... Tuesday, 24th Apr.
KAMO MARU ... Wednesday, 9th May.

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BANGKOK via Swatow	Yatshing	Tues. 17th Apr. at noon.
STRAITS & Calcutta	Laisang	Wed. 18th Apr. at 3 p.m.
SHANGHAI via Swatow	Walshing	Thurs. 19th Apr. at 3 p.m.
KOBE via Shanghai	Namsang	Fri. 20th Apr. at 10 a.m.
HAIPHONG via Hoihow	Leesang	Fri. 20th Apr. at 7 a.m.
SANDAKAN	Hinsang	Fri. 20th Apr. at 10 a.m.
MANILA	Yuenhsang	Fri. 20th Apr. at 2 p.m.
BANGKOK via Hoihow	Chunsang	Sat. 21st Apr. at 3 p.m.
SHANGHAI via Swatow	Kwongsang	Sun. 22nd Apr. at 9 a.m.
STRAITS & Calcutta	Kutsang	Tues. 24th Apr. at 3 p.m.
SHANGHAI via Swatow	Hopsang	Thurs. 26th Apr. at noon.
SAIGON	Wingsang	Fri. 27th Apr. at 7 a.m.
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Hailong	Ellis Walker	FRI. 20th Apr. at noon.
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CONSIGNEES.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

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Consignees per Company's Steamer

"EURYLOCHUS"

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Optional cargo will be landed, unless notice has been given prior to steamer's arrival.

All broken, chafed and damaged goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on any Tuesdays and Fridays between the hours of 10-45 a.m. and noon within the free storage period.

No claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the steamer's Godown, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 21st April will be subject to rent.

All Claims against the Steamer must be presented to the undersigned on or before the 5th May, or they will not be recognised.

No Fire Insurance will be effected.

BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,

Agents.

15th, April, 1923.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

TOYO KISEN KAISHA.

S. S. "ANYO MARU"
From SOUTH AMERICAN PORTS via SAN FRANCISCO, HONOLULU, and JAPAN PORTS.

THE above named Steamer having arrived on Sunday, 15th April 1923 consignees of cargo are hereby notified to present their Bills of Lading for countersignature, and take immediate delivery from alongside steamer or the Company's Godown, where all cargo impeding immediate discharge will be landed at consignee's risk.

Storage will be assessed on cargo remaining undelivered after Monday 23rd April, 1923.

All broken, chafed and damaged packages will be landed into the Company's Godown, where same will be examined on Monday 23rd April, 1923, at 11 a.m.

No claims will be recognised after goods have left the steamer or Godown, and none will be entertained if presented later than three weeks after arrival of steamer.

No fire insurance whatever will be effected.

Y. TSUTSUMI,

Manager.

Hongkong, 31st March, 1923.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES

AMERICAN & ORIENTAL LINE.

From NEW YORK

The Steamship "LUCERIC"

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All claims against the steamer must be presented to the undersigned on or before 28th April, 1923, or they will not be recognised.

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Australia awaiting shipment and
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on the erection of the buildings
are on their way to Singapore at
the present moment. It is stated
that arrangements will be made
to provide for the slaughtering of
the beasts in Australia by Moha-
medan butchers. —Free Press.

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WEATHER REPORT.

April 17d. 11h. 43m.—Pressure
has increased moderately over
N.E. Japan and decreased
moderately and slightly in other
districts.
The Yangtze Valley depression
has deepened and now covers
the whole of China.
Hongkong Rainfall for the 24
hours ending at 10 a.m. to-day.
0.00 inch. Total since January
lat. 6.97 inches, against an
average of 8.79 inches.
FORECAST FOR THE 24 HOURS
ENDING AT NOON TO-MORROW.
District. Forecast.
1. Formosa Channel
2. South coast of S. winds,
China between moderate,
H.K. & Lamooka. squally;
3. Hongkong to overcast;
Gap Rock rain, fog.
4. South coast of
China between
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From	Per	Due
Shanghai	Armand Belic	17th April.
U.S.A., Japan & Shanghai	Pres Jefferson	17th
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Straits	Wakasa M.	17th
Straits	Norfolk	17th
Japan	Yoshino M.	17th
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Shanghai	Sinkiang	18th
Australia & Manila	Victoria	18th
Haiphong	Sicilia	20th
London (Parcels 14th March)	Nyansa	21st

OUTWARD MAILS.

For	Per	Date
Haiphong	Tiastain	Wed. 18 inst. 8.30 a.m.
Philippine Is., Australia & New Zealand	Yoshino M.	Wed. 18 inst. Registration 8.45 a.m. Letters 9 a.m.
via Thursday Islands		(Due Thursday Islands April 29)
Straits, Ceylon, Mauritius, L. Marques, S. Africa, India via Dhannakhodi.		Parcels Tues 17th 5 p.m.
Adm. Egypt & Europe via	Nankin	Wed. 18 inst. Registration 8 a.m. Letters 9 a.m.
Marseilles		(Due Marseilles 20th May.)
Shanghai, Japan, Honolulu, Canada, U.S.A., C. & South America & Europe via San Francisco	Nile	Wed. 18 inst. Registration 8.45 a.m. Letters 10.30 a.m.
		(Due San Francisco 13th May.)
Hoihow	Haitan	Wed. 18 inst. 10.50 a.m.
Straits, Bangkok, Calcutta & Aden	Laisong	Wed. 18 inst. 1 p.m.
Straits & Egypt	Lyscon	Wed. 18 inst. 2 p.m.
Philippine Is.	Ixion	Wed. 18 inst. 2.30 p.m.
Saigon	Halos	Wed. 18 inst. 4.30 p.m.
Shanghai, Japan, Canada, U.S.A., C. & S. America & Europe via Vancouver B.C.	Empress of Russia	Parcels 18th 5 p.m. Registration 8.15 a.m. Letters 10 a.m.
		(Due Vancouver B.C. 7th May.)
Philippine Islands	Pres Jefferson	Thurs. 19 inst. 3.30 p.m.
Swatow	Hydrangea	Thurs. 19 inst. 3.30 p.m.
Shanghai & Japan	Namsang	Thurs. 19 inst. 6 p.m.
Swatow	Suiyang	Thurs. 19 inst. 6 p.m.
Hoihow & Haiphong	Laisong	Fri. 20 inst. 2.30 a.m.
Swatow, Amoy & Foochow	Haifong	Fri. 20 inst. 11 a.m.
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